

1603-1604

1912 Dates J-BK

England, Ireland
Plague 30,578 persons perished
in London alone.

1603

Union of England and Scotland
under James I. Tudor
dynasty in England ends.

1603

When James VI of Scotland became King of England as James I, he united the two kingdoms under one monarch - but they remained independent in government.

1603 Scottish & English Crowns United

Elizabeth I, died on Mar 24, 1603, without an heir, having indicated her wish that James VI of Scotland, the son of Mary, Queen of Scots, should succeed her. Within 9 hrs of her death, the Scottish King was proclaimed James I of England, its first Stuart ruler. James was, perhaps, the most learned king ever to sit on the English throne. He had published an attack on witchcraft in 1597 & a treatise on kingship in 1598. His month-long progress from the north to London was attended by joyful celebrations. He described his new kingdom as a "grovined

land" where he sat "amongst grave, learned and
reverend men, not as before, elsewhere, a knave with-
out state, without honor, without order." James began
well by making peace with Spain. But he inherited
a large debt from Elizabeth & it was evident if he needed
to work in harmony with Parliament, & stand by
proud motte-tum. James however, openly avowed his
attachment to the prevailing orthodoxy of the "divine
right of kings"; nor did he disguise his distaste
for extreme Puritans in religion. His deposition
in 1604 brought him into conflict with the House
of Commons over the Church, the revenue, and the
privileges of the House. The enduring 17th-Century
between Stuart Kings and people of England
was foreshadowed.

1603-1867

Japan Chronology

In the TOKUGAWA period (1603-1867), gaps between central and provincial Calendars disappeared especially after the establishment of the *Tōkyō* calendar, the first native Cal. compiled in Japan, instead of the Chinese based one that was in use until this period.

Mar 24, 1603

Inflicted by rheumatism and
possibly pneumonia Queen Elizabeth
died Mar. 24, 1603, She was
69.

She had reigned for 43 yrs +

Mar 24, 1603

Queen Elizabeth died Mar. 24, 1603
A death mask was made

1603

Queen Elizabeth died; accession
of James I (and VI)
Union of English & Scottish Crowns.

Japan: IYEYASU shogun; founding
of the TAKUGAWA Shogunate